#### KEEPING YOU INFORMED

# SLOANE STREET NEWSLETTER

UULY 2019

# SLOANE STREET GIVEN THE GO AHEAD

The Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea has approved the final design for the Sloane Street improvement scheme and works will begin later this year. We believe the scheme will enhance Sloane Street by widening and relaying pavements using traditional materials such as Yorkstone and introducing new trees as well as vibrant planting and elegant street furniture.

The improvement work will also include traffic calming measures and more raised crossing points to help reduce high traffic speeds and remove unsightly street furniture.

With Cadogan, a major land owner in the area, funding the scheme we now have an opportunity to improve the public realm of Sloane Street to ensure it continues to be an integral part of the Royal Borough as a vibrant residential area and global retail destination.

Full details of the project, including the Key Decision Report, can be found on our website at **www.rbkc.gov.uk/sloanestreet** 

### CONSULTATION AND ONGOING ENGAGEMENT

In 2017 we consulted on proposed improvements to Sloane Street. We sent out consultation leaflets to over 12,000 residential properties and businesses across the area and held exhibitions explaining the proposals. Over 1,100 people took part in the consultation and three-quarters of those respondents said they support the proposals, with over half preferring the option for maximum pavement widening in the central section of the street. We considered all responses and where possible, we have incorporated the feedback we received.

We recognise that there remain concerns regarding the existing traffic congestion on the busy and complex junction between Sloane Street and Knightsbridge. Our analysis of this, which is supported by peer-reviewed traffic modelling work, concludes that the improvement works to Sloane Street will neither resolve nor exacerbate this congestion problem.

We are currently monitoring the temporary closure of Basil Street to see how Sloane Street operates as a result.

If you have any questions about the project please do not hesitate to contact us at **sloanestreet@rbkc.gov.uk** or telephone Gary Noble, Chief Engineer on **020 7341 5255** 



THE ROYAL BOROUGH OF KENSINGTON AND CHELSEA

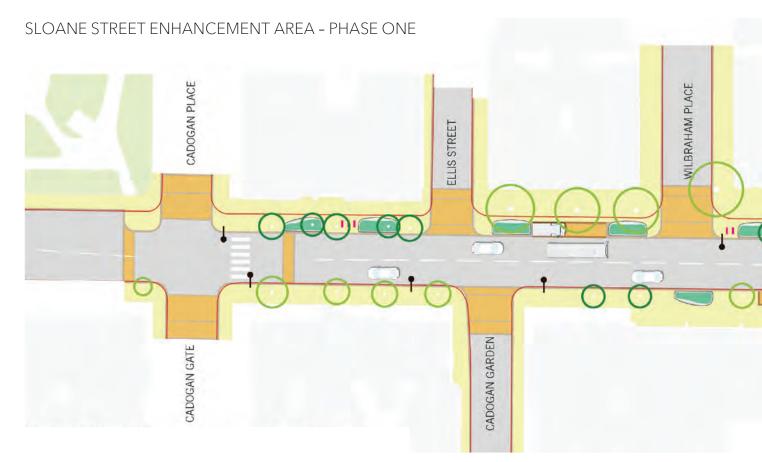
#### **CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMME**

The public realm improvement works will be delivered in three sections, beginning at the southern end of Sloane Street towards the end of 2019 and completing within 3 years.

Utilities surveys	Summer 2019
Works on Phase One	Southern Section - Sloane Square to Cadogan Gate. Works will begin later this year and take up to two years to complete.
Works on Phases Two and Three	Central Section - Cadogan Gate to Cadogan Place. Northern Section - Cadogan Place to Knightsbridge. We will update you in future newsletters.

#### **UTILITY WORKS IN SUMMER 2019**

Ahead of the main construction works beginning in late 2019, we need to carry out a series of surveys along Sloane Street to identify the location of utilities and services under the existing highway. These surveys will begin this summer and will take approximately six weeks to complete. They will include drilling exploratory holes in the pavements but this will not affect traffic or pedestrian access.



The road will be open to traffic and access to properties will be maintained throughout the construction period.

#### **KEEPING YOU INFORMED**

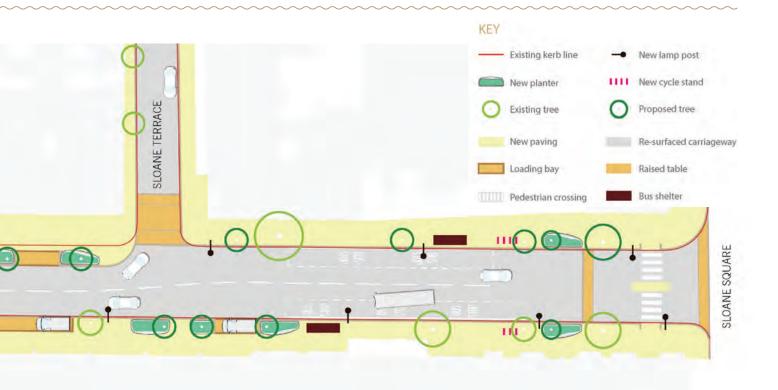
We will be hosting a 'meet the team' session to provide local residents and businesses the opportunity to discuss the scheme with members of the project team.

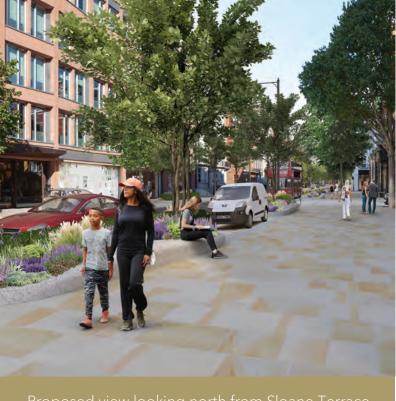
Our website **www.rbkc.gov.uk/ sloanestreet** will be regularly updated and we will send you a newsletter on a regular basis throughout the duration of the works to ensure you're aware of our progress, as well as where and when works will be taking place.

FM Conway, our contractor, will provide a dedicated team to handle all enquiries about the works. More details about this will follow in the next newsletter.

You can also find more information about the proposals, as well as frequently asked questions for residents and businesses, on Cadogan's website www.sloanestreetfuture.co.uk







ed view looking north from Sloane Terrace

Proposed evening view looking south from Cadogan Place

#### FACE ON THE STREET



Each newsletter we will be introducing you to a member of the team and telling you about the job they do.

We are starting with the Senior Responsible Officer for the Sloane Street project - Gary Noble.

Gary has worked at

the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea for 11 years in the role of Chief Engineer. During that time, he has managed and implemented many high profile projects to enhance the borough. Gary has been working on this project since the very start, and will be leading the borough's team as we enter the construction phase. His job is to ensure the project is delivered on time, to budget and to Council's high streetscape standards. This newsletter is delivered to all homes and businesses in the area around Sloane Street. On regular basis we will let you know how the project is progressing, as well as introducing you to some of the people and the work they are carrying out on this exciting project.

## MEET THE TEAM

In July 2019 we will host our first 'meet the team' event where you will be able find out more about the upcoming works and see visualisations of how Sloane Street will look once construction is complete. Members of the project team will be on hand to discuss the construction programme and answer any questions you may have.

The event is open to all and will take place on Thursday 18 July 3.30pm to 7.30pm and Saturday 20 July 10am to 2pm at Cadogan Hall at Cadogan Hall.

